



Young Drivers Fact Sheet

Indiana Statistics **As reported by the Governor's Council on Impaired & Dangerous Driving in 2006**

- Of the 5,323,027 licensed drivers, 310,607 (6%) were between the ages of 15 and 20.
- 135 of the 321 young drivers age 15-20 involved in a car crash were killed.
- Young male driver fatalities age 15-20 (54) were higher than the number of young female driver fatalities (35).
- Of the young drivers (16-19) involved in fatal crashes who were tested for alcohol, 28.2 percent were legally intoxicated (BAC of 0.08 g/dL or above) at the time of the crash.
- Of all 15-17 year old drivers involved in fatal crashes, 15 percent happened during curfew hours.
- 14 percent (179) of the 1,235 drivers involved in fatal car crashes were age 15-20.
- While only 6% of all licensed drivers were between the ages of 15 and 20, this age group accounted for 17% of all fatal single vehicle crashes.
- Of the 73 young drivers killed in a collision for which restraint use is known, 44 were not restrained (60%).

National Statistics **As reported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in 2005**

- Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for 15-20 year olds.
- 12.6 percent of all drivers involved in fatal crashes were between 15 and 20 years old.
- 326 motorcycle operators 15-20 years old were killed and an additional 9,000 were injured.
- 23 percent of the young drivers (15-20 years old) who were killed in crashes were legally intoxicated (BAC of .08 g/dL or higher) at the time of the crash.
- An estimated 24,560 lives have been saved since 1975 because of minimum drinking age laws.